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Candidates for the appointment of External Auditor

Report by the Director General

The present report provides information on the candidatures received for the appointment of an External Auditor as of 1 April 2015.

1. In its decision GC.15/Dec.8, the General Conference decided in 2013 to appoint the Auditor General of Germany as the External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years, from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2016, under the terms of reference specified in the Financial Regulations of UNIDO.

2. General Conference decision GC.6/Dec.18 requests the Director General to invite proposals from Member States for the appointment of an External Auditor and to submit such proposals to the Programme and Budget Committee for consideration. In compliance with that decision, a note verbale dated 29 January 2015 was sent to Member States in which they were invited to inform the Director General by 1 March 2015 of their interest in providing the services of an External Auditor, with a view to submitting such proposals to the Programme and Budget Committee at its thirty-first session, to be held from 27 to 29 May 2015.

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3. As of 1 April 2015, the following candidatures were received for the appointment of an External Auditor:

Mr. Kay Scheller	President of the German Supreme Audit Institution
Mr. Harry Azhar Azis	Chairman of the Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia

4. All candidates completed the standardized form "Proposal for appointment of External Auditor". The compilation of replies received will be brought to the attention of the Committee for its consideration in a conference room paper to be distributed prior to the session, thus facilitating the decision-making process.

5. An information note dated 30 March 2015 was circulated to Permanent Missions, together with a copy of the relevant communications concerning the candidatures, which are also reproduced in the annex to the present document.

Action required of the Committee

6. The Committee may wish to propose to the Industrial Development Board that it recommend to the General Conference the appointment of one of the candidates as External Auditor for UNIDO for a period of two years beginning 1 July 2016. The appointment would fall under the terms of reference specified in article XI (and annex) of the Financial Regulations of UNIDO. The travel and other costs related to the work of the External Auditor are to be borne by the UNIDO regular budget, for which a fixed fee, as approved in the programme and budgets, is foreseen.

Annex

Communications concerning candidatures for the appointment of an External Auditor by 1 April 2015[1]

A. Communication concerning the candidature of Mr. Kay Scheller, President of the German Supreme Audit Institution

Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations, Vienna

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Verbal Note

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations in Vienna, presents its compliments to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and with reference to the latter's note CU 2015/23/PRF/PMO dated 29 January 2015, has the honour to submit the candidature of Mr. Kay Scheller, President of the Bundesrechnungshof (German Supreme Audit Institution), for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 2016. The completed application form and a CV are attached.

The Permanent Mission trusts that as an audit institution with decades of experience in auditing International Organizations, the Bundesrechnungshof will provide UNIDO with highly professional audit services which assure that public resources are applied economically, efficiently and effectively.

The Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Office of the United Nations and to other International Organizations in Vienna, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 25 February 2015

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To the
United Nations Industrial Development Organization
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[1] These communications are reproduced in the form in which they were received by the Secretariat.

B. Communication concerning the candidature of Mr. Harry Azhar Azis, Chairman of the Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna

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Unofficial Translation

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization and with reference to the latter's note CU 2015/23/PRF/PMO dated 29 January 2015, has the honour to submit the candidatures of Mr. Harry Azhar Azis, PhD, Chairman of the Audit Board of the Republic of Indonesia (BPK-RI) for the post of External Auditor of UNIDO for a period of two years beginning on 1 July 2016. The completed application form and CV's are attached.

Apart from their national mandate, BPK-RI is engaged in various international audit activities. BPK-RI initiated the establishment of ASEAN Supreme Audit Institutions (ASEANSAI) thus became its first chairman and currently chairs the INTOSAI Working Group on Environmental Auditing (WGEA) as well as being member of the ASOSAI Governing Board.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia is confident that the professional expertise and quality of audit of BPK-RI could promote a high degree of fairness and reliability of financial statements, consequently maintaining stakeholder trust to UNIDO.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations and other International Organizations in Vienna avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Vienna, 20 March 2015

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